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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Marco SATTA for COMPOSITE ELASTOMER/PTFE SEAL, IN PARTICULAR FOR INSERTION BETWEEN RELATIVELY ROTATING MEMBERS SUBJECT TO OSCILLATION.

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

One sheet(s) of drawing(s);

a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is hereby made to MI2001A000289 filed in Italy on February 13, 2001;

in the declaration;

a certified copy of the priority document;

a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;

an Assignment document;

an Information Disclosure Statement;

a patent application data sheet; and

Other: _____.

An executed unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
 also is enclosed will follow.

Small entity status is hereby claimed.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to _____
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hereby incorporated by reference.--

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[] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a continuation of International Application No. _____
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[] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed
preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	Fee
Basic Application Fee					\$740.00 (101)
Total Claims	9	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =	0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (104)					0.00
Total Application Fee					740.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					0.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (581) if Assignment document is enclosed					0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					740.00

[] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

[X] A check in the amount of \$ 740.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
 [] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
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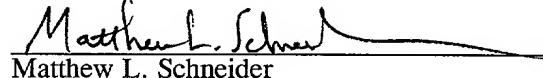
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